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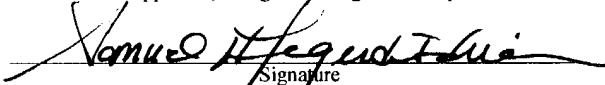
Applicant(s) : Sandra Patricia MERINO et al.  
Serial No. : 09/995,054  
For : **CENTRIFUGE WITH REMOVABLE CORE  
FOR SCALABLE CENTRIFUGATION**  
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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111  
WITH REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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AMENDMENT

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Please amend Figures 2A, 2B, 3B, 6-13, 15-23 and 25 as indicated in the attached  
Replacement Sheets.